

REMARKS

The applicant submitted only a single claim when filing the present non-provisional patent application. The applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the present Preliminary Amendment before issuing a first Office action in connection with this application. Specifically, the present Amendment adds nineteen (19) new claims, numbered claims 2-20 as shown above as well as in the appended claim listing. The applicant has made every effort to submit claims that particularly point out and distinctly claim subject matter regarded as the invention.

Respectfully,

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I hereby certify that this Preliminary Amendment for the patent application having the title <u>Support Apparatus</u> is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on November 9, 2005 as first class mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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